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REMARKS

Claims 2-7, 9-12, and 14-20 are currently pending in the subject application. Claims 4-7 are allowed. Claims 1-3, 8, 10, 12-16 and 22 stand rejected. Claims 9, 11 and 17-20 have been indicated as allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

The rejection of claims 1, 2, 10, 13-15 and 22 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as well as the rejection of claims 3, 12, and 16 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) are moot in view of the amendments to the claims made by this amendment. In order to place the application in condition for allowance, independent claims 1, 13 and 22 have been cancelled. Additionally, rather than cancel other rejected claims 2, 3, 10, 12, 14 and 16, each of these dependent claims have been amended to depend from amended claims 9, 11 or 17, which were indicated in the Office Action as being allowable. As suggested in the Office Action, Claims 9, 11 and 17 have been rewritten into independent form including the subject matter of the base claims and any intervening claims. Accordingly, since amended claims 2, 3, 10, 12, 14 and 16 depend from allowable claims, these claims 2, 3, 10, 12, 14 and 16 are also allowable for at least the same reasons that the independent claims are allowable.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicant respectfully submits that the present application is in condition for allowance. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of this application and that the application be passed to issue.

Should the Examiner have any questions concerning this paper, the Examiner is invited and encouraged to contact Applicant's undersigned attorney at (216) 621-2234, Ext. 106.

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No additional fees should be due for this response, including claim amendments, due to the cancellation of three independent claims. In the event any fees are due in connection with the filing of this document, the Commissioner is authorized to charge those fees to Deposit Account No. 20-0090.

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